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SUBJECT: MACHEL'S FAREWELL TOUR

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1. SUMMARY: IN A WEEK-LONG FAREWELL TOUR OF THE TANZANIAN HINTERLAND, AND AT CEREMONIES FOR THE BENEFIT OF PRSIDENTS NYERERE AND KAUNDA AT NACHINGWEA, FRELIMO PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL REITERATED HIS CALL FOR A REVOLUTIONARY TRANSFORMATION OF MOZAMBICAN SOCIETY AND DENOUNCED THE CONTINUED THREATS FROM THE ENEMIES OF THE REVOLUTION, EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL. END SUMMARY.

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2. FRELIMO PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL MADE WEEK-LONG TOUR (MAY 1-9) OF TANZANIA HINTERLAND AS FAREWELL GESTURE (THOUGH HE DENIED IT WAS SUCH) BEFORE HIS TRIUMPHAL RETURN TO MOZAMBIQUE. SUBSEQUENTLY, ON MAY 11-12, HE ENTERTAINED TANZANIA'S PRESIDENT NYERERE AND ZAMBIA'S PRESIDENT KAUNDA AT FRELIMO'S MAIN NACHINGWEA BASE IN SOTHERN TANZANIA. HE THEN WENT ON TO ZAMBIA (REFTEL) ON A SIMILAR MISSION. HE RETURNED TO TANZANIA MAY 15, AND A VISIT TO ZANZIBAR IS EXPECTED SHORTLY.

3. EVERYWHERE, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, MACHEL WAS WARMLY RECEIVED, AND HE MADE DAILY SPEECHES TO LARGE CROWDS. FROM THE DISTICTLY SUMMARY (AND NOT ALWAYS CONSISTENT) REPORTING OF THESE SPEECHES IN TANZANIA'S ENGLISH AND SWAHILI LANGUAGE PRESSES, THE FOLLOWING MAIN THEMES EMERGED SUFFICIENTLY REGULARLY TO SEEM OF POSSIBLE SIGNIFICANCE:

A. THE NEW MOZAMBIQUE SOCIETY: MACHEL LEFT NO DOUBT THAT HE INTENDS TO LEAD A THOROGUH POLQTICAL, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL REVOLUTION IN MOZAMBIQUE TO CREATE A "COMPLETELY NEW SOCIETY BASED ON EQUALITY" WHICH WILL SERVE AS A MODEL TO THE REST OF AFRICA. IT WILL BE A SOCIALIST SOCIETY, AND IN THE RURAL AREA WILL EMULATE THE TANZANIAN SYSTEM OF "UJAMAA" VILLAGES: "COLLECTIVE LIVING AND COLLECTIVE PRODUCTION WILL BE THE PREOCCUPATION IN THOSE VILLAGES." PEOPLE WHO WANT TO EXPLOIT, HE SAID, ARE SERIOUS ENEMIES BECAUSE THEY ARE AMONG THOSE WHO COOPERATE WITH EXTERNAL ENEMIES, AND HE LISTED PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND SCHOOLS AS FORMS OF EXPLOITATION. CULTURALLY, HE REFERRED TO THE NEED TO RESTORE THE AFRICAN PERSONALITY OF MOZAMBIQUE, SAYING "WE INTEND TO MAKE TOSE WHO USED TO CALL US OVERSEAS PORTUGUESE REALIZE THAT WE'RE NOT AND WE SHALL NEVER BE PORTUGUESE. GEOGRAPHICALLY AND POLITICALLY MOZAMBIQUE IS TO REMAIN AFRICAN." IN ORDER FOR THE AFRICAN TO REGAIN HIS FREEDOM, DIGNITY, AND PERSONALITY, THERE MUST BE A "POLITCIAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL REVOLUTION WHICH WILL INTERPRET HIS PAST AS WELL AS HIS FUTURE."

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B. ENEMIES-DOMESTIC: MACHEL HARPED CONSTANTLY ON THE CONTINUED NEED FOR VIGILANCE AGAINST ENEMIES, INCLUDING AFRICANS, AND HE ATTRIBUTED THE LONG DURATION OF MOZAMBIQUE'S STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE TO THE AID GIVEN PORTUGAL BY TRAITORS AND STOOGES INSIDE MOZAMBIQUE. IN THE FUTURE, COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARIES--WHETHER ACTING AS EXPLOITERS OR POLITICAL DEMAGOGUES--WILL BE PURSUED TO THE BITTER END. NO ONE COULD HAVE

A FATHER, MOTHER, SISTER, RELATIVE OR FRIEND OUTSIDE
THE REVOLUTION, HE SAID, AND ALL ENEMY AGENTS MUST BE
FOUGHT AND EXPOSED, HOWEVER CLOSELY RELATED THEY MIGHT BE.

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C. ENEMIES-FOREIGN: SIMILARLY, MACHEL DENOUNCED
EXTERNAL ENEMIES, INCLUDING "CERTAIN AFRICAN REGIMES,
SOME OF THEM NOT FAR AWAY FROM TANZANIA." "AN ENEMY
IS AN ENEMY EVEN IF HE IS BLACK LIKE US," MACHEL SAID.
"ANYONE WHO DENIES THE FREEDOM OF AFRICA, WHETHER HE

DOES SO INDIVIDUALLY OR THROUGH A REGIME, IS AN ENEMY
OF THE PEOPLE OF AFRICA. HE MUST BE FOUGHT." HE
NOTED THAT THE BASE OF ANTI-COLONIALIST STRUGGLE HAD

NOW EXPANDED FROM TANZANIA TO INCLUDE MOZAMBIQUE,
AND PREDICTED THAT THE SMITH REGIME IN RHODESIA WOULD
FALL SOON AFTER MOZAMBIKAN INDEPENDENCE.

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D. MOZAMBIQUE-TANZANIA: MACHEL WAS ENTHUSIASTIC IN
HIS PRAISE OF TANZANIA AND CALLED FERVENTLY FOR
TANZANIAN-MOZAMBIKAN UNITY, SAYING: "OUR IDEOLOGY IS
THE SAME. WE HAVE THE SAME PRINCIPLES OF ORIENTATION.
WE FOLLOW THE SAME POLICIES OF ANTI-COLONIALISM, ANTI-
IMPERIALISM, AND ANTI-EXPLOITATION. WE, THEREFORE,
KNOW NO FRONTIERS BETWEEN US." IN OTHER REMARKS HE
ASSURED TANZANIANS THAT MOZAMBIQUE WAS PREPARED TO
FIGHT FOR THEM, THAT "NO ONE CAN BE AN ENEMY OF TANZANIA
AND BE A FRIEND OF MOZAMBIQUE." SIMILARLY, HE CALLED
ON THE TWO COUNTRIES TO CONSOLIDATE THE FRELIMO AND
TANU PARTIES, AND SAID ANYONE OPPOSING TANU WAS ALREADY
AUTOMATICALLY OPPOSING FRELIMO. IN EACH OF THE
TANZANIAN TOWNS HE VISITED, HE APPEARED TO TRY TO GIVE
THE IMPRESSION THAT THAT TOWN'S AID HAD BEEN ESPECIALLY
CRUCIAL TO FRELIMO'S VICTORY.

E. THE NACHINGWEA CELEBRATION: PRESIDENTS KAUNDA
AND NYERERE WERE INVITED TO A TWO-DAY CELEBRATION AT
FRELIMO'S MAIN CAMP AT NACHINGWEA, WHERE THEY WERE
GREETED BY FRELIMO TROOPS, MILITANTS AND THE BY-NOW
TRADITIONAL PARAGRAPHS OF "TRAITORS" (THEIR NUMBER, ACCORDING
TO THE PRESS, NOW GROWN TO 450). KAUNDA AND
NYERERE DONNED FRELIMO UNIFORMS FOR SOME OF THE CEREMONIES.

4. COMMENT: MACHEL'S FAREWELL TOUR, WHICH DOMINATED
THE FRONT PAGES OF TANZANIAN PAPERS FOR MOST OF THE WEEK,
WAS A CONTINUED LITANY OF HIS COMMITMENT TO A
RADICAL TRANSFORMATION OF MOZAMBIQUE INTO AN IDEOLOGICALLY
FERVENT, SOCIALISTIC, AND "VIGILANT" SOCIETY
IN THE VANGUARD OF THE WORLD REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT.
GIVEN THAT TANZANIA SHARES MANY OF MACHEL'S VIEWS, THE
GOVERNMENT HERE MAY BE JUST AS HAPPY TO HAVE HIS
PREACHING TRANSFERRED TO THE SOUTH; MACHEL, WHO FREELY
LECTURED HIS AUDIENCES ON THEIR DUTIES AS TANZANIANS,
SOMETIMES SEEMS TO FORGET WHICH COUNTRY HE IS SUPPOSED
TO BE LEADING.

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